We do not hold ourselves responsible for the Rain a Longfelt Want in Kona-Comes statements made, or opinions expressed by our correspondents

Letter From Miss Jessie A. Ackerman. severely for want of rain. The dry seato time I have noted in your paper | middle of January or first of February, generous accounts of our temperance had not ended on the 12th inst., on meetings and the work we have been trying to do, and send this line, not only to express the highest appreciation of your kindness but also the October, would scarcely suffice to give sincere thanks of both our society one a good wetting. Certainly not more and myself, personally.

While the press may not always agree with our particular views we are very glad you recognize our object-to make women and men better and elevate the moral tone of society -so be assured of our appreciation and in my long journey around the world, I shall always dwell with pleasure upon my visit to your city and feel grateful for the support of the press and moral-living portion of tinues. To-day there is a fresh breeze the community.

Sincerely yours. JESSIE A. ACKERMAN. World's Missionary for W. C. T. U.

The Oahu Railway.

Mr. EDITOR: Apart from having been a rival for the franchise of this scheme I confess to having shared with many others the doubt as to whether the capitalists of this country would, even when stimulated by so energetic a promoter as Mr. Dillingham, of themselves float the com-

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Now that we hear on all hands of the railroad as a fixed fact, and tenders are invited for grading, I wish to offer both personally and on behalf of the gentlemen with whom I am associated in the tramway, hearty congratulations to the new undertaking which I feel persuaded will be of great and lasting benefit to the place and people.

The names of the office-bearers will be sufficient guarantee to all who know them, to supply the lack of detail in the prospectus, and if the money is all to come from this side the promoters need hardly expect to encounter criticism until the time for dividends approaches.

It is to be hoped, however, that the Oahu Railway stock will some day or other find its way like so many American roads to a high quotation on the London market. It authorities have paid no attention to the false statements which have been to remove this difficulty. It would be by proving that the people here have sufficient faith in the future of Hawaii to carry through a railroad into a new district on their own shoulders.

The recent articles on the subject both in your columns and in the Bulletin have shown how great an impetus has been given to the Oahu the stock of both these undertakings exceed in value the most sanguine estimate.

When Hawaii is the focus of an oceanic trade rivalling that of the Atlantic: and Honolulu or Ewa the queen city of the Pacific, perhaps some of those who have taken their capital to California may regret that they had not invested it nearer

The present time is undoubtedly a critical one for the Islands, one of those times when the timid drop money and the firm and bold make a kawao, Maui, waived examination and was committed for trial at the June term great deal.

Sugar prospects are cloudy and other industries struggling into an officer by the steamer W. G. Hall, infantile existence, but Hawaii cannot lose her soil, her climate and her maritime position; what she perhaps most needs at the present time is sufficient faith in her own capabilities as to impress foreign capitalists with the same belief.

The liberal and progressive spirit which was displayed in the last legislature towards strictly local enterprise, and the disposition towards subsidizing anything in the way of agricultural development, proves that the authorities are alive to the situation, and we must hope that the Pearl River railroad will be a triumph of local financial talent and of disinterested but remunerative enterprise. T. G. GRIBBLE.

Cleaning Kamle.

Charles P. Williams, Consul at Rouen, France, makes a report of the French Government's offer of a prize of 30,000 francs for a machine best adapted to the "decortication of ramie," or in plain English, the disintegration of hemp. There were nineteen entries for decortication of ramie and ten different processes for treatment of the fiber in the list of exhibits. One machine, termed "Landsheer," took the first prize of 600 francs, and the "Armant" took the prize of 400 francs. Both processes claim to do their work in stalks, green and dry. The former machine costs from 1,500-to 2,000 francs, and the latter about 1.500 francs. The third prize of 200 francs was awarded to an American company of New York. This machine can be simplified, and bids fair to carry off the prize at the French International Exhibition this year. It does its work better on green stalks than dry. But one chemical process was exhibited, and it did not clean the fiber as well as the Berthet process, which is both chemical and mechanical and does its work well and cheaply.

A DRY DISTRICT.

Kona, Hawaii, has been suffering Mr. Editor: Dear Sir,-From time son, usually terminating about the which date a correspondent writes: "The universal cry here is for rain. The aggregate of all the showers that struck this region since the middle of than half an inch of rain has fallen during the past four months. To say that everything is parched with drought is to put it very mild. The earth is like a bake oven. The lantana jungles are sunburnt. The leaves on the guava forests are scorched red. Scarcity of water is causing much pilikia every where. The sky has been very cloudy nearly every day for three weeks, but the clouds roll by and the drought confrom the south and the surface of Kealakeakua Bay is dotted over with whitecaps. These are signs of a southerly storm, but many similar signs have appeared during the past two months, and then disappeared. The fact of the matter is that South Kona has been under the ban of the Naiads even since her repre sentative was expelled from the Legislature. Without rain and without representation in Parliament, South Kona is in rather a bad way just now.'

Since the above was written, the afflicted region referred to has been visited with a refreshing and welcome

HARBOR PILOT

Disturbed in New York by the Electric Lights.

The following from the Electrical Review of February 9th shows that the Honolulu pilots are not the only ones bothered with shore electric lighting:

At first sight it seems contradictory to say that the increasing use of electric lights in the neighborhood of navigable waters is detrimental to the interests of navigators, but the Light House Board has found it necessary to take measures for the suppression of some of them. Complaint has come from pilots of ves sels sailing on the East River that the brilliant lights on the Brooklyn Bridge seriously interfere with their movements and largely add to their dangers. While going towards the bridge they are blinded by the bright glare, and while they are going away from it they find themselves sailing into black darkness, where it is exceedingly difficult to see other vessels requests of the Treasury Department or will be of great service to Hawaiian the Department of Justice. Congress credit and an answer to the many has been asked to modify the law so as e in San Francisco newspapers, very easy to shade the lights in such a manner that they would bridge and not the river.

> Catalogue of Supreme Court Library. A valuable handbook has just been is-

sued from the HAWAHAN GAZETTE press with the above title, being a list of books in the Supreme Court Library, arranged Railway by the phenomenal success by authors, titles and subjects, with of the tramway. We may live to see dates, etc. The work of compiling has been done by Judge Wm. Foster, of the Municipal Court, and in a most satisfac tory manner. Such a catalogue has long been needed, and it will prove very acceptable to all who have occasion to consult the Law Library, which now embraces about 3,300 volumes and pam-

> Committed for Embezzlement. Everett Brumaghin, on being charged with embezzlement from the Pala Plantation, for which he was book-keeper, before District Justice Chas. Copp of Maof the Second Judicial Circuit Court. The for detention in Oahu Jail pending his

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